

Sullivan County PHN receives \$60,000 grant for healthy homes

The Greater Sullivan County Public Health Network (PHN) has been awarded a \$60,000 grant from the Centers For Disease Control and The N.H. State Department of Health and Human Services. The two-year grant is a significant leap in the progress of expanding public health activities in the Sullivan County area.

The PHN will join forces with Connecticut Valley Home Care of Newport to provide case management services to address specific cases of childhood lead poisoning.

The grant will promote a whole

healthy-homes approach by initiating a new program called One Touch. One Touch will ensure that every home 'touched' by nurse case management will be thoroughly evaluated for many potential health hazards including healthy water and healthy air. The One Touch program aims to reduce the incidence of major health conditions like Asthma and Carbon Monoxide poisoning, in addition to reducing the potentially deadly affects of lead poisoning.

Sullivan County in particular is a targeted area of higher risk of lead poisoning, due to its large percentage of older buildings and area demographics. In a recent County Health Rankings Report, Sullivan County ranked second to lowest for overall health, in-

cluding lead poisoning (second to Coos County.) The PHN intends to work in close partnership with the Claremont-Newport Healthy Homes Committee for a strong case management effort addressing the challenges facing the subject of childhood lead poisoning prevention in the area.

Through this new grant, the region will hire one Public Health Nurse Case Manager and a part time Program Support specialist, to be supervised by the office of the PHN out of Unity. The PHN serves just over 30,000 people in the 15 rural towns of Acworth, Charlestown, Claremont, Croydon, Goshen, Langdon, Lempster, New London, Newbury, Newport, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Unity, and Wilmot.

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As captain in his senior year, he led the Terriers to the 1965 GBL championship, hitting .410 and leading the league in RBIs. He received the Tommy Gastall Award as team MVP two times.

In his senior year at Brighton High he led the Boston City League in batting with a .500 average and was named a first-team City League All Star. He was also selected three times to the Hearst Newspaper All New England Team. Mahoney played in the Boston Park League for 21 years (1960-1980) and was inducted into that league's Hall of Fame in 1990.

In 1964, the Boston Globe called him "One of the finest baseball prospects at BU in a long time." Bob Cocker, who coached the Terriers for 11 years, named him as an outfielder on his all-time BU team.

Jessica McAuliff receives Certificate of Appreciation

CONCORD - Jessica McAuliff, Regional Public Health Network (PHN) Coordinator, was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for her work with the State's Public Health Regionalization initiative.

Dr. Jose Montero, Director of the New Hampshire Division of Public Health Services, presented the award to McAuliff in early September in recognition of outstanding leadership and commitment to the process of coordinating public health system assessments.



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